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In response to the election/restriction requirement in the Office Action dated January 11, 2006, Applicant elects for immediate prosecution the invention of Species A (Figs. 1-4), and, particularly, Claims 1-16, with traverse.

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